

Chambers of District Judge Sandra J. Feuerstein *continued*

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## Chambers of District Judge Dora L. Irizarry

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**Dora L. Irizarry**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: January 26, 1955  
 Education: Yale BA; Columbia JD  
 Began Service: August 30, 2004  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Assistant District Attorney, Appeals Bureau, Office of the Bronx District Attorney, City of New York, New York (1979); Special Assistant D.A., Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor, City of New York, New York (1981-1995); Assistant District Attorney, New York County District Attorney's Office (1987)

**Judicial:** Judge, Criminal Court of New York City (1995); Judge, The New York State Court of Claims (1997)

**Legal Practice:** Hoguet Newman & Regal, L.L.P.

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Council; Hispanic National Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association

**Staff**  
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## Chambers of District Judge Sandra L. Townes

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**Sandra L. Townes**  
 District Judge

Education: Johnson C Smith 1966 BA; Syracuse 1976 JD  
 Began Service: September 2004  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Academic:** Teacher of English, Carver High School (1966-1967); Teacher of English, Dunbar High School (1967-1970); Teacher of English, District of Columbia Evening Adult Education Program (1967-1970); Teacher of English, Corcoran High School (1971-1973); Teacher of English, P.E.A.C.E. Learning Center (1971-1973); Adjunct Professor, Syracuse University College of Law (1987-1995); Adjunct Professor, Onondaga Community College (1992-1999)

**Government:** Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, County of Onondaga, New York (1977-1985); Senior Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, County of Onondaga, New York (1983-1986); Chief Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, County of Onondaga, New York (1986-1987)

**Judicial:** Judge, Syracuse City Court (1988-1999); Justice, New York Supreme Court, Fifth Judicial District (2000-2001); Associate Justice, New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Second Department (2001-2004)

**Current Memberships:** The New York State Bar Association; Onondaga County Bar Association; Women's Bar Association of the State of New York

## Chambers of District Judge Eric Nicholas Vitaliano

225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
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**Eric Nicholas Vitaliano**  
 District Judge

Education: Fordham 1968 BA; NYU 1971 JD  
 Began Service: December 30, 2005  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, District Judge Mark A. Costantino, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York (1971-1972)

**Government:** Member, New York State Assembly (1983-2002)

**Judicial:** Judge, New York State Unified Court System (2002-2005)

## Chambers of District Judge Joseph F. Bianco

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**Joseph F. Bianco**  
 District Judge

Education: Georgetown 1988 BA; Columbia 1991 JD  
 Began Service: January 3, 2006  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Academic:** Professor, Fordham Law School

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, District Judge Peter K. Leisure, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1992-1993)

**Government:** Organized Crime and Terrorism Chief, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, United States Department of Justice; Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, United States Department of Justice

**Legal Practice:** Litigation Associate, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP; Counsel (Litigation Section), Debevoise & Plimpton LLP

## Chambers of District Judge Brian M. Cogan

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**Brian M. Cogan**  
 District Judge

Education: Illinois 1975 BS; Cornell 1979 JD  
 Began Service: June 2006  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Vice Chairman, Appointment of City Marshal's Commission, City of New York, New York; Member, Disciplinary Committee, New York Appellate Division, First Department

**Legal Practice:** General Counsel, Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

**Military Service:** Legal Affairs Officer, New York Guard

## Chambers of District Judge Nina Gershon

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**Nina Gershon**  
 District Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
 Education: Cornell 1962 BA; Yale 1965 LLB  
 Began Service: 1996

**Academic:** Lecturer in Law and Political Science, UC San Diego (1969-1970); Adjunct Professor of Law, Cardozo School of Law (1986-1988)

Chambers of District Judge Nina Gershon *continued*

**Government:** Staff Attorney, Appellate Division, New York Supreme Court (1966-1968); Assistant Corporation Counsel, Appeals Division, State of New York (1968-1969); Chief, Federal Appeals, State of New York (1972-1975); Chief, Consumer Protection Division (1975-1976)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (1976-1996)

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## Chambers of Senior Judge Jack B. Weinstein

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**Jack B. Weinstein**  
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1921  
 Education: Brooklyn 1943 BA;  
 Columbia 1948 LLB  
 Began Service: April 15, 1967  
 Appointed By: President Lyndon B. Johnson

**Academic:** Professor, Columbia University School of Law (1956-1967)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Stanley H. Fuld, New York Court of Appeals (1949-1950)

**Government:** County Attorney, County of Nassau, New York (1963-1965)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Rosenfeld & Weinstein (1950-1952); Private practice (1952-1960)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1942-1946); United States Naval Reserve

**Current Memberships:** American Academy of Arts and Sciences; American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists; Nassau County Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association

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**I. Leo Glasser**  
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924  
 Education: CCNY 1943 BA;  
 Brooklyn Law 1948 LLB  
 Began Service: 1982  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School (1948-1969); Dean, Brooklyn Law School (1977-1981)

**Judicial:** Judge, New York Family Court (1969-1977)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1943-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The Association of the Bar of the City of New York; The Supreme Court Historical Society

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## Chambers of Senior Judge Leonard D. Wexler

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**Leonard D. Wexler**  
 Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924  
 Education: Indiana 1947 BS; NYU 1950 JD  
 Began Service: 1983  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Sidney R. Siben Law Office, County of Suffolk, New York (1950-1956); Partner, Meyer & Wexler, County of Suffolk, New York (1957-1983)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1943-1945)

**Current Memberships:** The New York State Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association; Suffolk County Bar Association

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